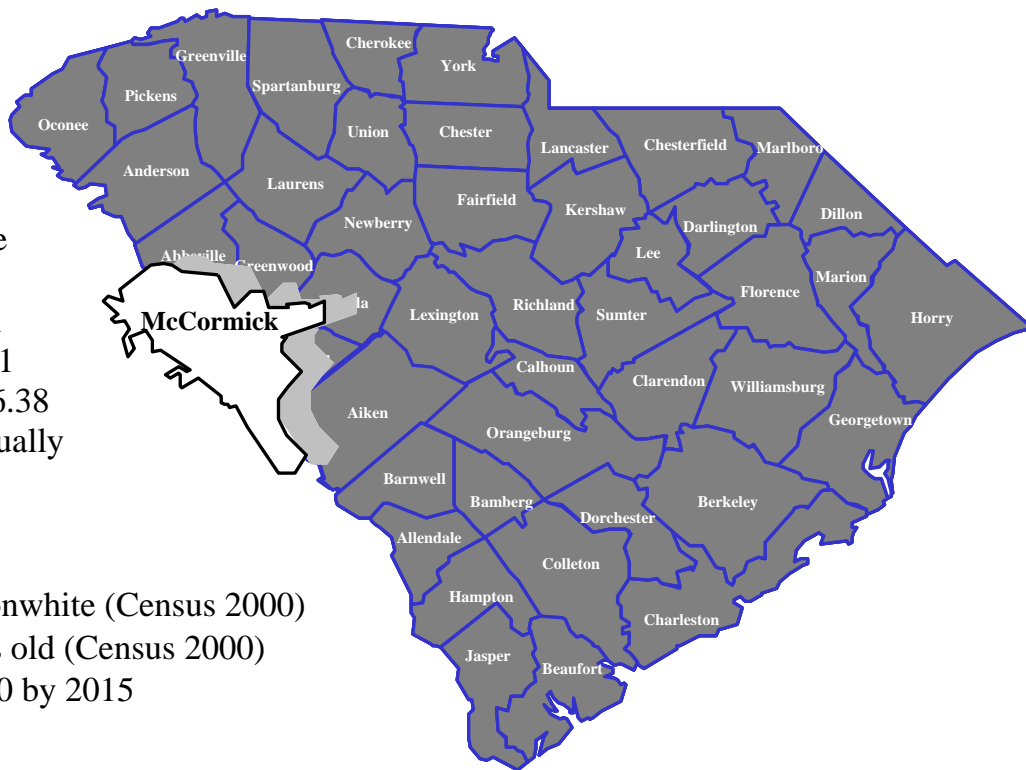


Spotlight on McCormick County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the west central area of the state
- Surrounded by Abbeville, Greenwood, and Edgefield counties and Georgia to the West
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 62.1 degrees and experiences 46.38 inches of precipitation annually



Population

- 10,133 in 2004
- 44.8% white and 55.2% nonwhite (Census 2000)
- Median age was 41.1 years old (Census 2000)
- Estimated growth of 11,730 by 2015

Labor Force

- Decreased from 3,962 in 2003 to 3,527 in 2004
- Unemployment rate fell from 12.4% in 2003 to 10.9% in 2004

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the county was 3,143 in 2004, compared to 3,143 in 2003

Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the county was \$18,338 in 2003
- It was 70% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Abbeville Workforce Center, serving Abbeville and McCormick counties, paid \$3,386,983 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2004.

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